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SUBJECT: DE MARTINO VISIT

REF: ROME 13044

1. WE ARE NOW PREPARED TO MOVE AHEAD WITH ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE VISIT TO THE US OF SOCIALIST (PSI) LEADER FRANCESCO DE MARTINO, WHO WE UNDERSTAND IS WILLING TO COME HERE DURING THE FIRST WEEKS OF JANUARY 1976. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO OBTAIN DE MARTINO'S AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE TO VISITING HERE SOMETIME DURING THE PERIOD JAN 5-9 OR JAN 12-16.

2. (FYI. WE HAVE IN MIND ARRANGING FOR AN ADDRESS BY DE MARTINO TO THE COUNCIL ON WORLD AFFAIRS AT SAN FRANCISCO OR AN EQUALLY PRESTIGIOUS ORGANIZATION, AND PERHAPS ALSO
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ARRANGE FOR AN APPEARANCE AT A WELL-KNOWN ACADEMIC

INSTITUTION. END FYI.)

3. UPON RECEIPT OF DE MARTINO'S AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE AS TO THE TIMING OF THE VISIT, WE WILL MAKE THE FINAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE SPONSORING INSTITUTION AND ARRANGE AN APPOINTMENT FOR HIM WITH THE SECRETARY.

4. WE RECOMMEND THAT DE MARTINO'S TRAVEL, EXPENSES, AND HONORARIUM BE FUNDED FROM EMBASSY'S IV PROGRAM. WE WOULD FUND ONLY DE MARTINO'S TRAVEL AND NOT THAT OF ANY AIDES WHO MAY ACCOMPANY HIM. WE WILL ALSO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR AN ESCORT/INTERPRETER TO ACCOMPANY DE MARTINO THROUGHOUT HIS VISIT, IF DESIRED.

5. PLEASE INFORM DEPARTMENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE REGARDING DE MARTINO'S AGREEMENT ON TIMING. INGERSOLL

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